

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus for processing plural pages of a job to be give to an output device, each page of the plural pages having a predetermined number of sections of standard color space, the image processing apparatus comprising:

a memory for memorizing all of the plural pages of the job;

a decision ~~controlling~~ controller for deciding for each page whether image data included in each section of standard color space are data within a color reproduction range of the output device or not; and

a color compressing controller for performing a color compression process uniformly to said each page of the plural pages of image data in accordance with the decision of the decision controller so as to supply the processed data to the output device, wherein

performing the color compression process uniformly to said each page of the plural pages of the job includes determining the sections of standard color space that require the color compression process in any of the plural pages of the job and performing the color compression process on the sections of standard color space of said each page that are determined to be required in any of the plural pages.

Claims 2 - 4 (Cancelled)

5. (Original) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the output device is a printer for printing an image in accordance with the image data, and the image processing apparatus is built in the printer.

6. (Original) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the image data are generated by an image reader, and the image processing apparatus is built in the image reader.

7. (Currently Amended) An image processing method for processing plural pages of a job to be given to an output device, each page of the plural pages having a predetermined number of sections of standard color space, the method comprising:

a memorizing step of memorizing all of the plural pages of the job in a memory;

a decision step of deciding for each page whether image data included in each section of standard color space are data within a color reproduction range of the output device or not; and

a color compression step of performing a color compression process uniformly to said each page of the plural pages of image data in accordance with a decision in the decision step so as to supply the processed data to the output device, wherein

performing the color compression process uniformly to said each page of the plural pages of the job includes determining the sections of standard color space that require the color compression process in any of the plural pages of the job and performing the color compression process on the sections of standard color space of said each page that are determined to be required in any of the plural pages.

Claims 8 - 10 (Cancelled)